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BUT THAT IS NO LONGER OPERATIVE! FROM THIS DAY FORWARD...

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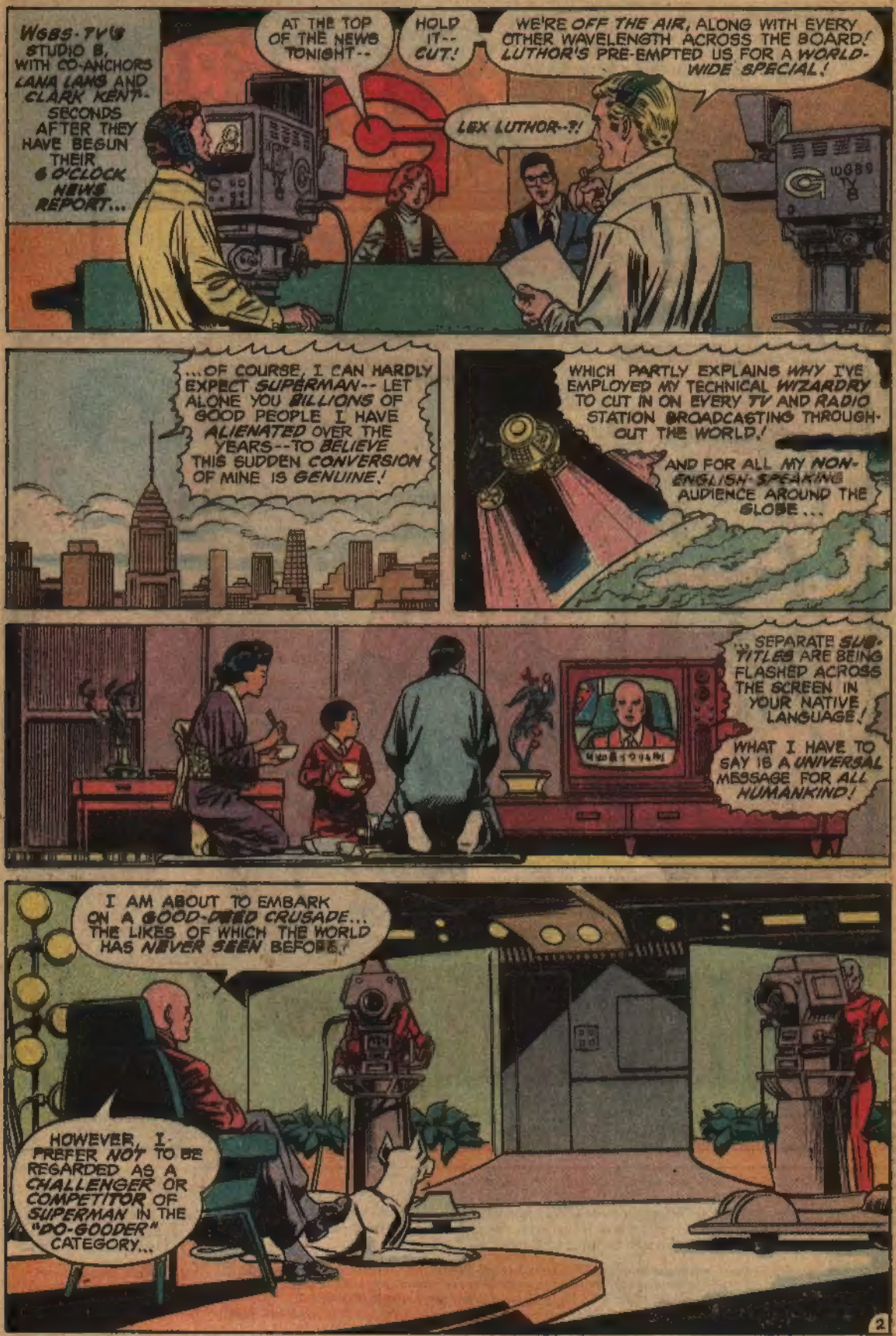
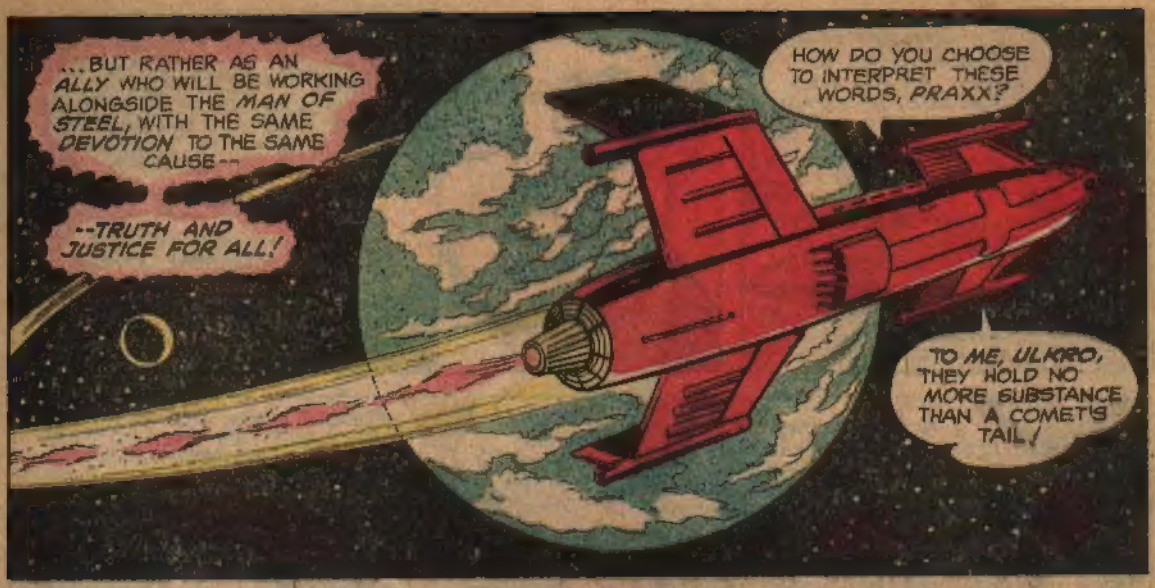
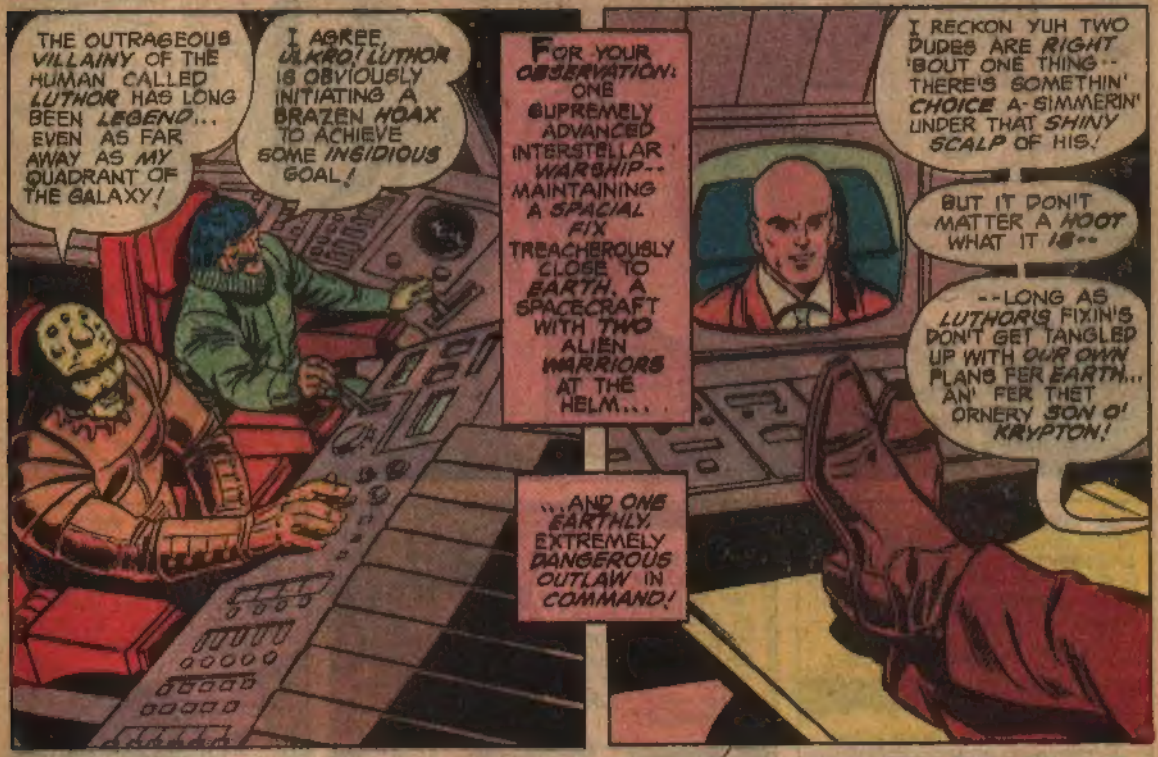

WGBS-TV'S STUDIO B, WITH CO-ANCHORS LANA LAMB AND CLARK KENT- SECONDS AFTER THEY HAVE BEGUN THEIR 6 O'CLOCK NEWS REPORT...
AT THE TOP OF THE NEWS TONIGHT--
HOLD IT-- CUT!
WE'RE OFF THE AIR, ALONG WITH EVERY OTHER WAVELENGTH ACROSS THE BOARD! LUTHOR'S PRE-EMPTED US FOR A WORLD-WIDE SPECIAL!
LEX LUTHOR--?!
...OF COURSE, I CAN HARDLY EXPECT SUPERMAN-- LET ALONE YOU BILLIONS OF GOOD PEOPLE I HAVE ALIENATED OVER THE YEARS--TO BELIEVE THIS SUDDEN CONVERSION OF MINE IS GENUINE!
WHICH PARTLY EXPLAINS WHY I'VE EMPLOYED MY TECHNICAL WIZARDRY TO CUT IN ON EVERY TV AND RADIO STATION BROADCASTING THROUGHOUT THE WORLD!
AND FOR ALL MY NON-ENGLISH-SPEAKING AUDIENCE AROUND THE GLOBE...
...SEPARATE SUB-TITLES ARE BEING FLASHED ACROSS THE SCREEN IN YOUR NATIVE LANGUAGE!
WHAT I HAVE TO SAY IS A UNIVERSAL MESSAGE FOR ALL HUMANKIND!
I AM ABOUT TO EMBARK ON A GOOD-DEED CRUSADE... THE LIKES OF WHICH THE WORLD HAS NEVER SEEN BEFORE!
HOWEVER, I PREFER NOT TO BE REGARDED AS A CHALLENGER OR COMPETITOR OF SUPERMAN IN THE "DO-GOODER" CATEGORY...


...BUT RATHER AS AN ALLY WHO WILL BE WORKING ALONGSIDE THE MAN OF STEEL, WITH THE SAME DEVOTION TO THE SAME CAUSE--
--TRUTH AND JUSTICE FOR ALL!
HOW DO YOU CHOOSE TO INTERPRET THESE WORDS, PRAXX?
TO ME, ULKRO, THEY HOLD NO MORE SUBSTANCE THAN A COMET'S TAIL!


THE OUTRAGEOUS VILLAINY OF THE HUMAN CALLED LUTHOR HAS LONG BEEN LEGEND... EVEN AS FAR AWAY AS MY QUADRANT OF THE GALAXY!
I AGREE, ULKRO! LUTHOR IS OBVIOUSLY INITIATING A BRAZEN HOAX TO ACHIEVE SOME INSIDIOUS GOAL!
FOR YOUR OBSERVATION: ONE SUPREMELY ADVANCED INTERSTELLAR WARSHIP--MAINTAINING A SPACIAL FIX TREACHEROUSLY CLOSE TO EARTH, A SPACECRAFT WITH TWO ALIEN WARRIORS AT THE HELM...
...AND ONE EARTHLY, EXTREMELY DANGEROUS OUTLAW IN COMMAND!
I RECKON YUH TWO DUDES ARE RIGHT 'BOUT ONE THING--THERE'S SOMETHIN' CHOICE A-SIMMERIN' UNDER THAT SHINY SCALP OF HIS!
BUT IT DON'T MATTER A HOOT WHAT IT IS--
--LONG AS LUTHOR'S FIXIN'S DON'T GET TANGLED UP WITH OUR OWN PLANS FER EARTH... AN' FER THET ORNERY SON O' KRYPTON!

...AND BY NOW MOST OF YOU GOOD PEOPLE ARE AWARE OF MY FIRST NOBLE DEED--THE SIMULTANEOUS CAPTURE OF THE MOST NOTORIOUS CRIME-BOSSES IN METROPOLIS!
SUPERMAN HIMSELF WAS A WITNESS TO THIS HISTORY-MAKING EVENT! *
"And so were YOU if you were here last issue! --Julie
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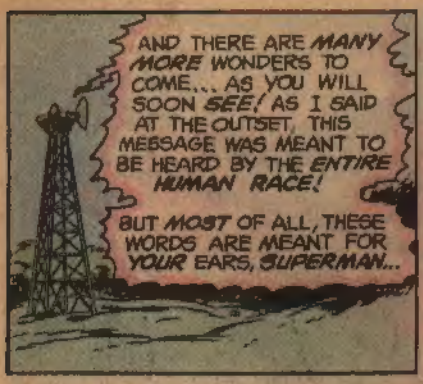
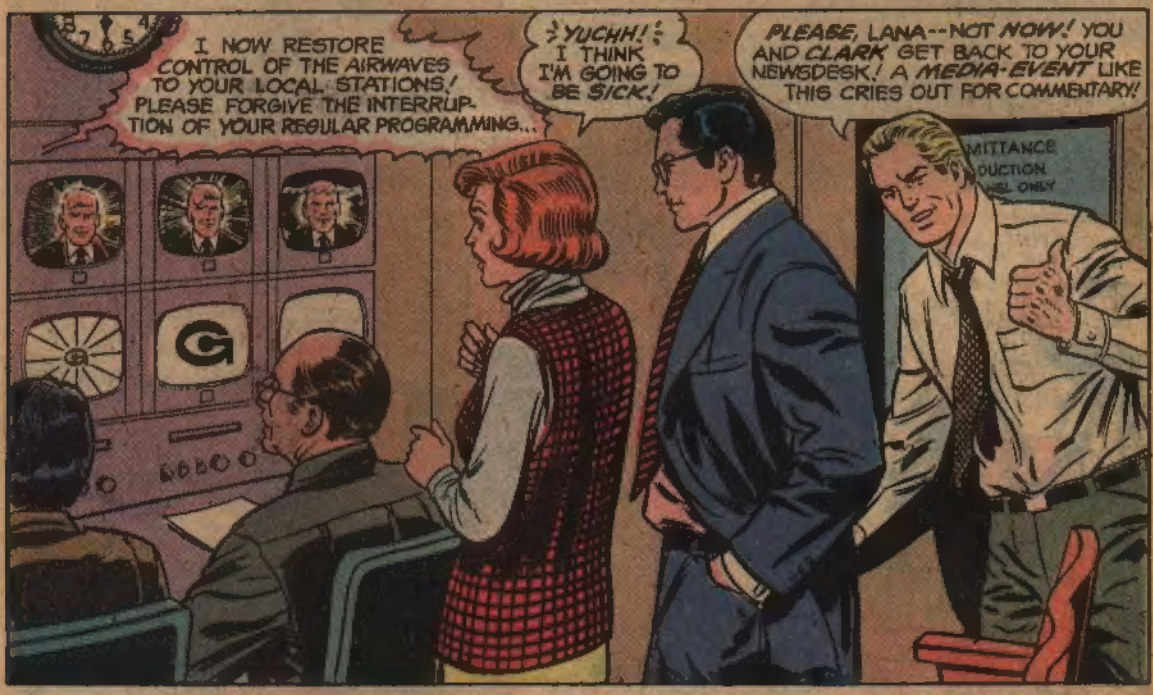

AND THERE ARE MANY MORE WONDERS TO COME... AS YOU WILL SOON SEE! AS I SAID AT THE OUTSET, THIS MESSAGE WAS MEANT TO BE HEARD BY THE ENTIRE HUMAN RACE!
BUT MOST OF ALL, THESE WORDS ARE MEANT FOR YOUR EARS, SUPERMAN...

...WHEREVER YOU ARE AT THIS MOMENT, IN COSTUME OR OUT! FOR I FULLY REALIZE THAT THE MANY BATTLES BETWEEN US MAKE YOU THE LAST PERSON ON EARTH TO BELIEVE IN WHAT YOU SEE BEFORE YOU--
--THE NEW LUTHOR, THE REBORN LUTHOR, IF YOU WILL!


I NOW RESTORE CONTROL OF THE AIRWAVES TO YOUR LOCAL STATIONS! PLEASE FORGIVE THE INTERRUPTION OF YOUR REGULAR PROGRAMMING...
YUCHH! I THINK I'M GOING TO BE SICK!
PLEASE, LANA--NOT NOW! YOU AND CLARK GET BACK TO YOUR NEWSDESK! A MEDIA-EVENT LIKE THIS CRIES OUT FOR COMMENTARY!

A WEEK PASSES... AN INTERMINABLY TEDIOUS AND UNEVENTFUL SEVEN DAYS FOR A TRIO OF INTERPLANETARY MARAUDERS WHO HAVE BEEN HUNGRILY MAINTAINING A CONSTANT VIGIL OVER OUR GLEAMING EMERALD PLANET...
I DO NOT KNOW HOW MANY MORE PLANETARY ROTATIONS I CAN WATCH BEFORE I GO SPACE-HAPPY, PRAXX!
PATIENCE, ULKRO...

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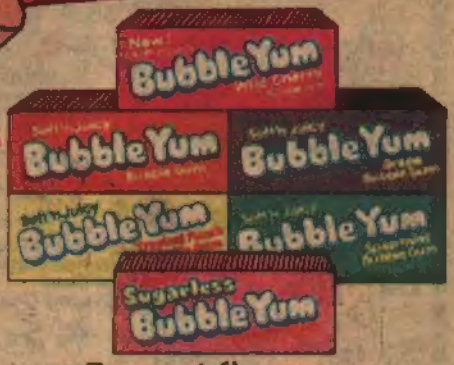

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FROM AN EARTHSIDE POINT OF VIEW, HOWEVER-- THE PAST WEEK HAS BEEN ANYTHING BUT UNEVENTFUL...
HAVE YOU HEARD THE LATEST, LOIS? IT JUST CAME IN OVER THE WIRE SERVICE!
DON'T TELL US, JIMMY-- LET ME GUESS! HE'S BROUGHT WASHINGTON, JEFFERSON AND LINCOLN BACK FROM THE DEAD AND PUT THEM IN THE WHITE HOUSE!
NOT QUITE-- "TODAY LUTHOR DISPATCHED IDENTICAL MESSAGES TO NATIONS BEARING NUCLEAR ARSENALS-- ANNOUNCING THE ACTIVATION OF A DEVICE WHICH HAS NEUTRALIZED ALL THEIR ATOMIC WARHEADS!
"SO FAR, THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE KREMLIN HAVE REFUSED COMMENT..."
GREAT CAESAR'S GHOST! NOW WE'RE INDEBTED TO HIM FOR "PEACE ON EARTH"... ALONG WITH EVERYTHING ELSE!
WHAT NEXT, I WONDER?
SOUTHWESTERN NEVADA-- UNDERGROUND MISSILE SILO 14558, WHERE LUTHOR'S LATEST ACT OF WORLD-WIDE BENEFICENCE HAS BEEN CHECKED OUT AND CONFIRMED...
HOW CAN WE HOPE TO DEFEND THIS REPUBLIC WITH ALL OUR NUKE-WARHEADS RENDERED UTTERLY USELESS?
I'VE ALREADY SPOT-CHECKED THE ARSENALS OF OTHER NUCLEAR POWERS, GENERAL!
LUTHOR TOLD THE TRUTH-- THE DISARMAMENT IS WORLD-WIDE!
GENERAL OMAR, SIR-- YOU'VE BEEN ASKED TO REPORT TO THE COMM-CON AT ONCE! RADAR JUST PICKED UP A UFO PASSING OVER OUR SECTOR!
ONE OF OUR COUNTRY'S ENEMIES, I'LL WAGER-- MOVING IN FOR THE KILL NOW THAT WE'VE BEEN TACTICALLY STRIPPED!
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AND BEFORE YOU CAN SAY "UP, UP, AND AWAY," A FIGURE OF RED AND BLUE BREAKS THE DESERT SURFACE AND STREAKS SKYWARD...

JUST AS I THOUGHT--

--THE UFO ISN'T THE PRODUCT OF AN ENEMY POWER...

...AND IT'S CERTAINLY NOT FROM OUTER SPACE!

I DIDN'T NEED TO SEE HIS MONOGRAMED INITIALS ON THE HULL TO KNOW--

--LEX LUTHOR HAS STRUCK AGAIN!

GREETINGS, SUPERMAN! THIS PRE-RECORDED MESSAGE WAS INSTALLED TO PLAY JUST FOR YOU!

THIS IS MY LATEST INVENTION--THE OZ-1! IT'S BEEN PROGRAMMED TO ORBIT THE EARTH 100 TIMES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS!

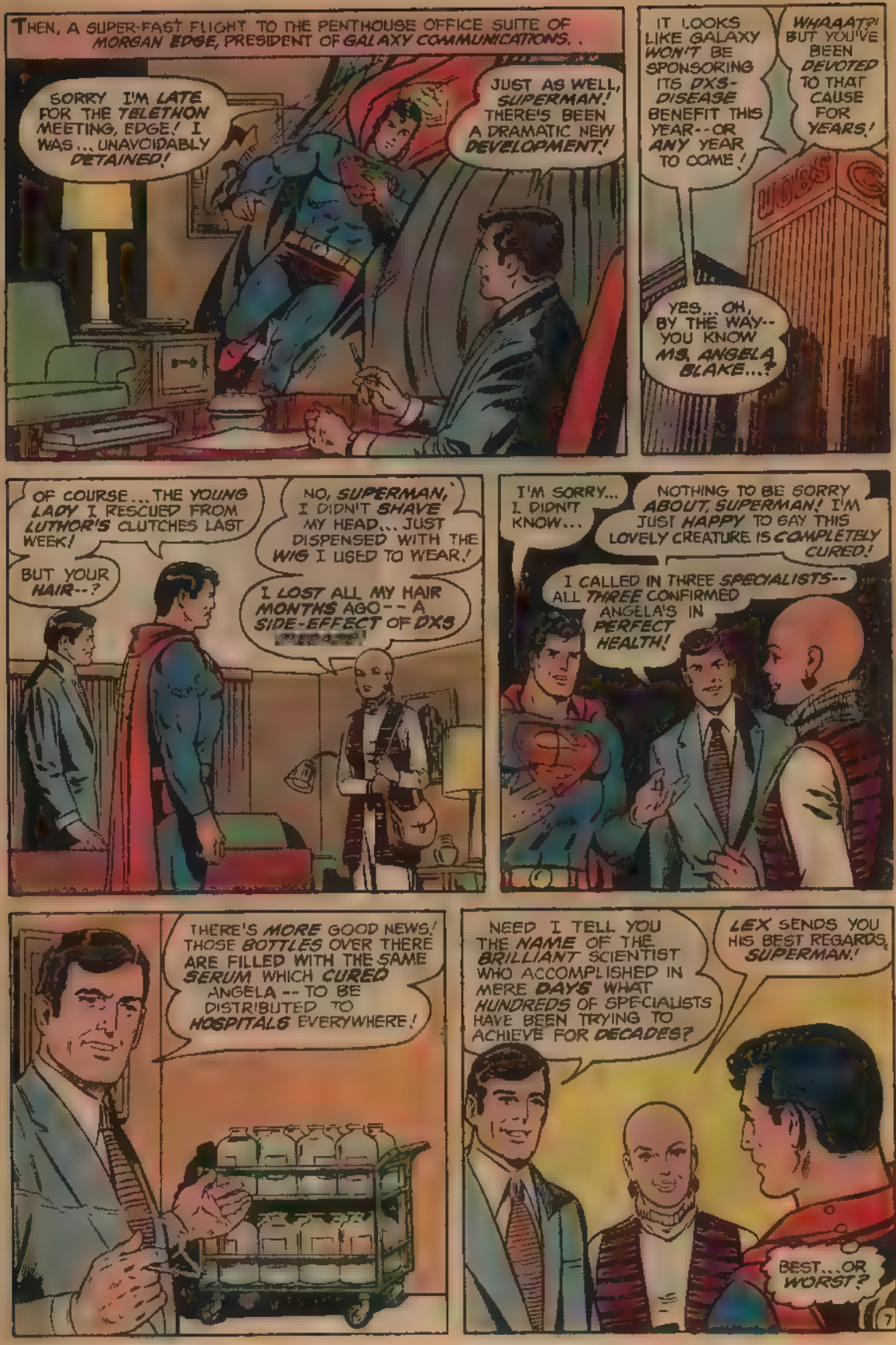
AS YOUR SUPER-SENSES WILL VERIFY, THE OZ-1'S FUNCTION IS TO FORTIFY AND REVITALIZE THE DETERIORATING OZONE LAYER SO VITAL TO ALL LIFE ON EARTH...

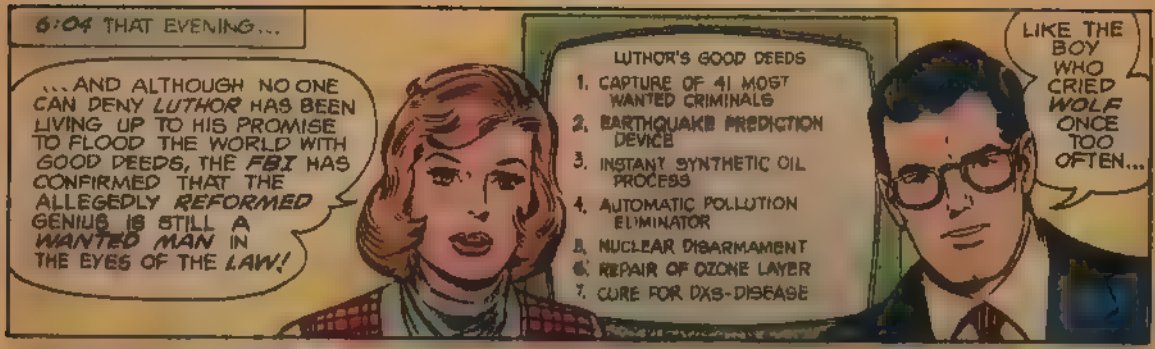
ANOTHER GOOD DEED! WHERE IS ALL THIS LEADING TO--?

I'VE BEEN UP AGAINST THE EVIL CREATED BY THAT WARPED AND TWISTED MIND TOO MANY TIMES TO SWALLOW THE "NEW LUTHOR'S" LINE!

THERE'S SOMETHING SINISTER BEHIND THIS GOOD SAMARITAN ROUTINE... I CAN FEEL IT IN MY BONES!

I JUST HOPE WHEN THE PAY-OFF COMES, I'LL BE ABLE TO HANDLE IT!


THEN, A SUPER-FAST FLIGHT TO THE PENTHOUSE OFFICE SUITE OF MORGAN EDGE, PRESIDENT OF GALAXY COMMUNICATIONS. .
SORRY I'M LATE FOR THE TELETHON MEETING, EDGE! I WAS... UNAVOIDABLY DETAINED!
JUST AS WELL, SUPERMAN! THERE'S BEEN A DRAMATIC NEW DEVELOPMENT!
IT LOOKS LIKE GALAXY WON'T BE SPONSORING ITS DXS-DISEASE BENEFIT THIS YEAR--OR ANY YEAR TO COME!
WHAAAT?! BUT YOU'VE BEEN DEVOTED TO THAT CAUSE FOR YEARS!
YES... OH, BY THE WAY-- YOU KNOW MS. ANGELA BLAKE...?
OF COURSE... THE YOUNG LADY I RESCUED FROM LUTHOR'S CLUTCHES LAST WEEK!
BUT YOUR HAIR--?
NO, SUPERMAN, I DIDN'T SHAVE MY HEAD... JUST DISPENSED WITH THE WIG I USED TO WEAR!
I LOST ALL MY HAIR MONTHS AGO-- A SIDE-EFFECT OF DXS
I'M SORRY... I DIDN'T KNOW...
NOTHING TO BE SORRY ABOUT, SUPERMAN! I'M JUST HAPPY TO SAY THIS LOVELY CREATURE IS COMPLETELY CURED!
I CALLED IN THREE SPECIALISTS-- ALL THREE CONFIRMED ANGELA'S IN PERFECT HEALTH!
THERE'S MORE GOOD NEWS! THOSE BOTTLES OVER THERE ARE FILLED WITH THE SAME SERUM WHICH CURED ANGELA -- TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO HOSPITALS EVERYWHERE!
NEED I TELL YOU THE NAME OF THE BRILLIANT SCIENTIST WHO ACCOMPLISHED IN MERE DAYS WHAT HUNDREDS OF SPECIALISTS HAVE BEEN TRYING TO ACHIEVE FOR DECADES?
LEX SENDS YOU HIS BEST REGARDS, SUPERMAN!
BEST...OR WORST?


6:04 THAT EVENING...
...AND ALTHOUGH NO ONE CAN DENY LUTHOR HAS BEEN LIVING UP TO HIS PROMISE TO FLOOD THE WORLD WITH GOOD DEEDS, THE FBI HAS CONFIRMED THAT THE ALLEGEDLY REFORMED GENIUS IS STILL A WANTED MAN IN THE EYES OF THE LAW!
LUTHOR'S GOOD DEEDS
1. CAPTURE OF 41 MOST WANTED CRIMINALS
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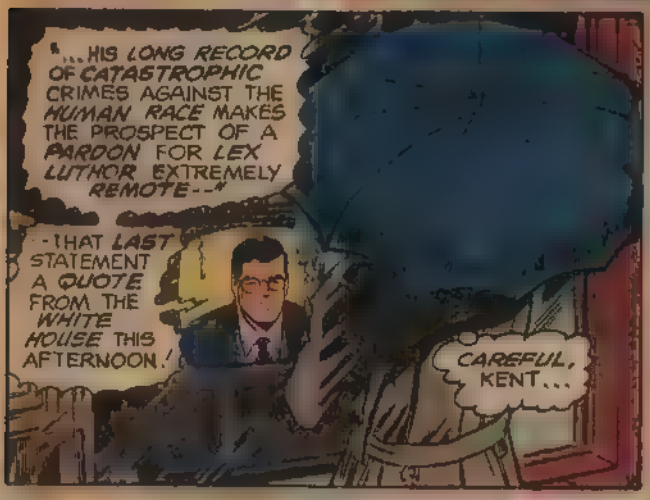
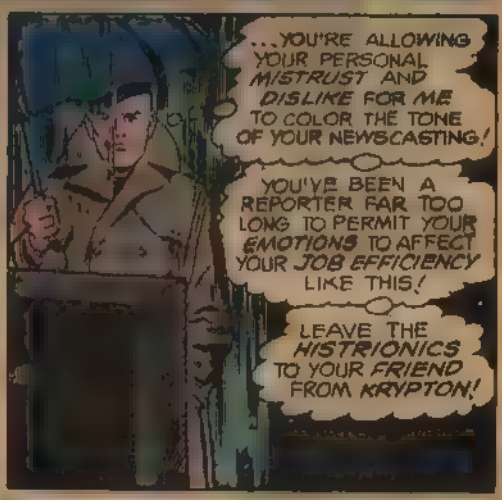
3. INSTANT SYNTHETIC OIL PROCESS
4. AUTOMATIC POLLUTION ELIMINATOR
5. NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT
6. REPAIR OF OZONE LAYER
7. CURE FOR DXS-DISEASE
LIKE THE BOY WHO CRIED WOLF ONCE TOO OFTEN...


"...HIS LONG RECORD OF CATASTROPHIC CRIMES AGAINST THE HUMAN RACE MAKES THE PROSPECT OF A PARDON FOR LEX LUTHOR EXTREMELY REMOTE--"
-THAT LAST STATEMENT A QUOTE FROM THE WHITE HOUSE THIS AFTERNOON!
CAREFUL, KENT...


...YOU'RE ALLOWING YOUR PERSONAL MISTRUST AND DISLIKE FOR ME TO COLOR THE TONE OF YOUR NEWSCASTING!
YOU'VE BEEN A REPORTER FAR TOO LONG TO PERMIT YOUR EMOTIONS TO AFFECT YOUR JOB EFFICIENCY LIKE THIS!
LEAVE THE HISTRIONICS TO YOUR FRIEND FROM KRYPTON!

200,000 MILES AWAY AT THIS VERY MOMENT, AND CLOSING FAST...
CALM YOURSELF, ULKRO... WITHIN ONE MORE DIRN, WE SHALL BE IN ACTION!
FORGIT ABOUT HIM PRAXX!
HAUL OUT THE KRYPTONIAN MASS-DETECTOR SO'S WE CAN SORT OUT JEST WHERE MUH FAVOR-ITE SUPER-HOMBRE IS KEEPIN' HISSELF!

LATE INTO THE METROPOLIS NIGHT TWO LOVERS RENDEZVOUS BENEATH A PARK LIGHT-- OBLIVIOUS TO THE POUNDING DOWNPOUR PELTING THE CITY...

...WHEN THEIR TENDER RE-UNION IS RUTHLESSLY CUT SHORT BY A GRIP OF STEEL...
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BATGIRL
IN
A MATTER OF GOOD TASTE
BATGIRL, THE DARLING OF THE DARKNESS, CLASHES WITH JET-SET JESSIE, JEWEL THIEF EXTRAORDINAIRE.
TUT, TUT! YOU'LL HAVE TO BE FASTER THAN THAT, MY DEAR.
I'LL GET YOU YET, JESSIE, AND PUT AN END TO YOUR THIEVING WAYS.
AND I CAN GET MY HANDS ON YOUR FOOT BEFORE I GET IT ON THE CHIN.
I'VE GOT TO KEEP JESSIE BUSY WITH SOMETHING BESIDES ME.
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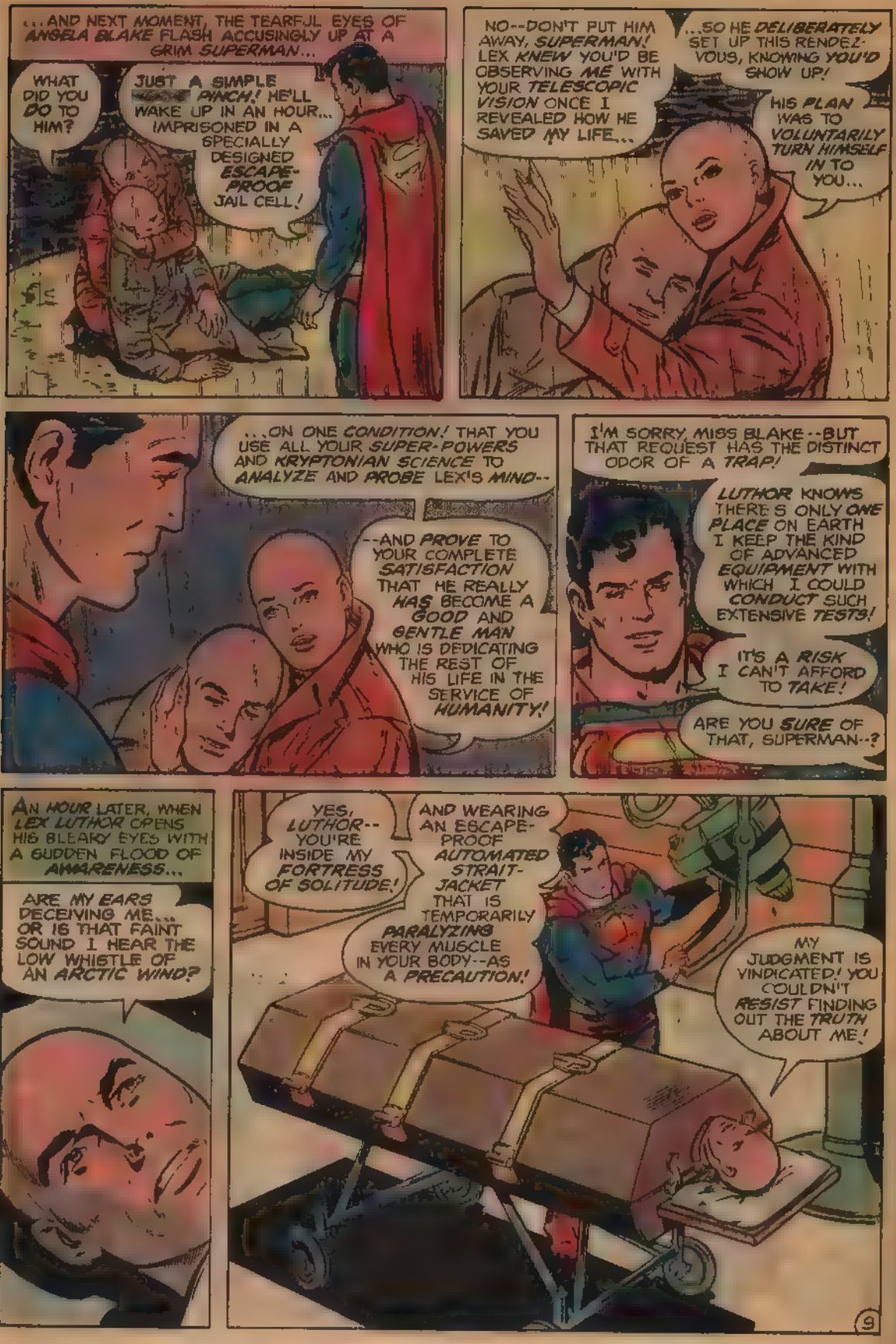
...AND NEXT MOMENT, THE TEARFUL EYES OF ANGELA BLAKE FLASH ACCUSINGLY UP AT A GRIM SUPERMAN...
WHAT DID YOU DO TO HIM?
JUST A SIMPLE KRYPTONIAN PINCH! HE'LL WAKE UP IN AN HOUR... IMPRISONED IN A SPECIALLY DESIGNED ESCAPE-PROOF JAIL CELL!
NO--DON'T PUT HIM AWAY, SUPERMAN! LEX KNEW YOU'D BE OBSERVING ME WITH YOUR TELESCOPIC VISION ONCE I REVEALED HOW HE SAVED MY LIFE...
...SO HE DELIBERATELY SET UP THIS RENDEZ-VOUS, KNOWING YOU'D SHOW UP!
HIS PLAN WAS TO VOLUNTARILY TURN HIMSELF IN TO YOU...
...ON ONE CONDITION! THAT YOU USE ALL YOUR SUPER-POWERS AND KRYPTONIAN SCIENCE TO ANALYZE AND PROBE LEX'S MIND--
--AND PROVE TO YOUR COMPLETE SATISFACTION THAT HE REALLY HAS BECOME A GOOD AND GENTLE MAN WHO IS DEDICATING THE REST OF HIS LIFE IN THE SERVICE OF HUMANITY!
I'M SORRY, MISS BLAKE--BUT THAT REQUEST HAS THE DISTINCT ODOR OF A TRAP!
LUTHOR KNOWS THERE'S ONLY ONE PLACE ON EARTH I KEEP THE KIND OF ADVANCED EQUIPMENT WITH WHICH I COULD CONDUCT SUCH EXTENSIVE TESTS!
IT'S A RISK I CAN'T AFFORD TO TAKE!
ARE YOU SURE OF THAT, SUPERMAN--?
AN HOUR LATER, WHEN LEX LUTHOR OPENS HIS BLEARY EYES WITH A SUDDEN FLOOD OF AWARENESS...
ARE MY EARS DECEIVING ME... OR IS THAT FAINT SOUND I HEAR THE LOW WHISTLE OF AN ARCTIC WIND?
YES, LUTHOR--YOU'RE INSIDE MY FORTRESS OF SOLITUDE!
AND WEARING AN ESCAPE-PROOF AUTOMATED STRAIT-JACKET THAT IS TEMPORARILY PARALYZING EVERY MUSCLE IN YOUR BODY--AS A PRECAUTION!
MY JUDGMENT IS VINDICATED! YOU COULDN'T RESIST FINDING OUT THE TRUTH ABOUT ME!
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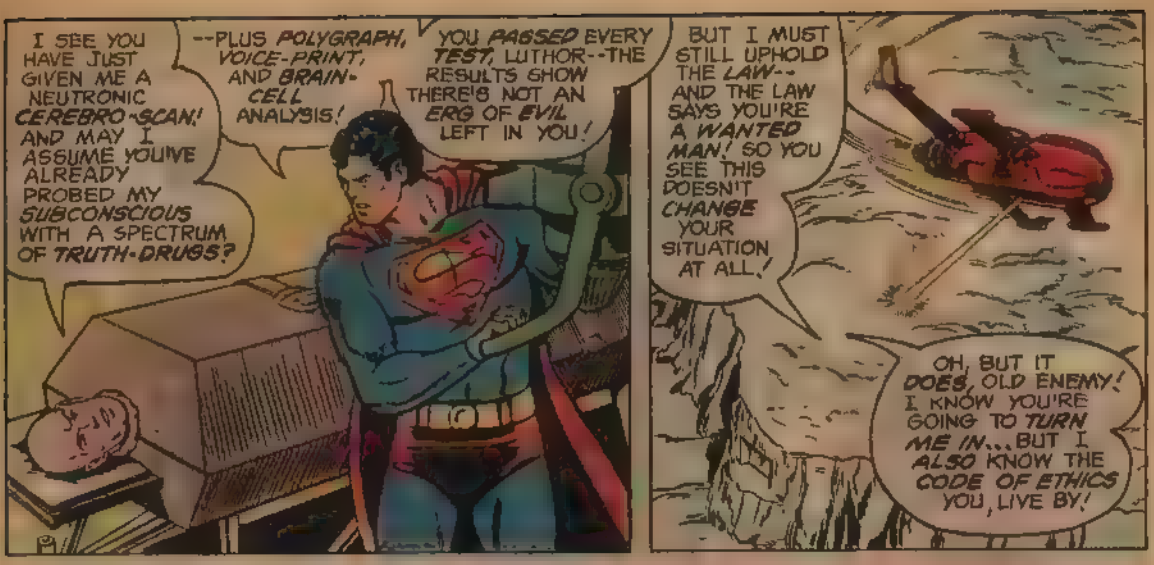
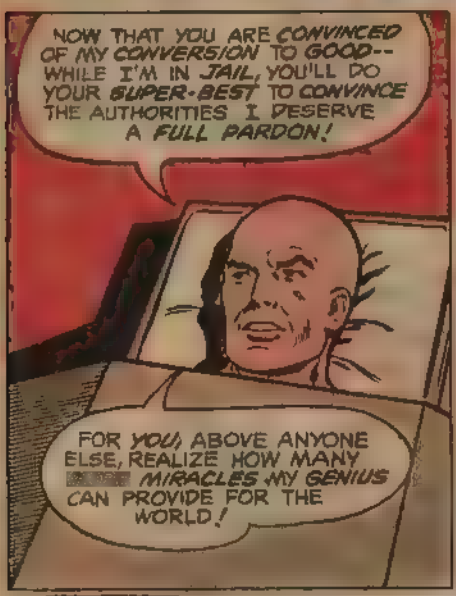
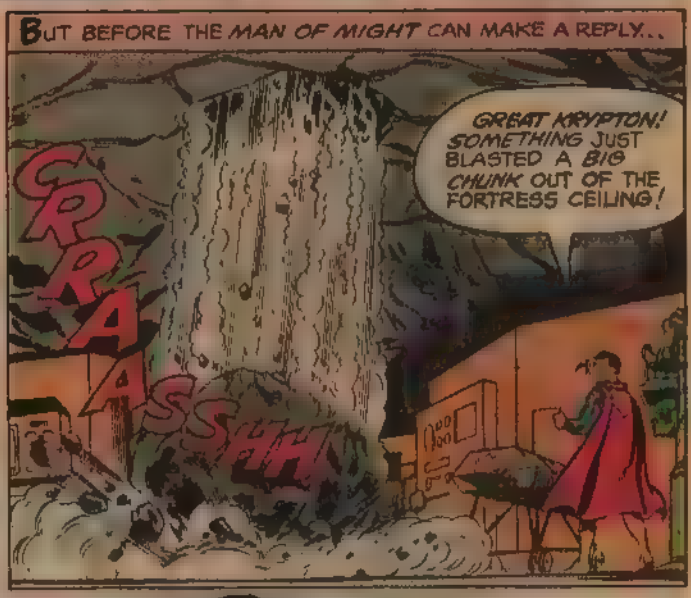

I SEE YOU HAVE JUST GIVEN ME A NEUTRONIC CEREBRO-SCAN! AND MAY I ASSUME YOU'VE ALREADY PROBED MY SUBCONSCIOUS WITH A SPECTRUM OF TRUTH-DRUGS?
--PLUS POLYGRAPH, VOICE-PRINT, AND BRAIN-CELL ANALYSIS!
YOU PASSED EVERY TEST, LUTHOR--THE RESULTS SHOW THERE'S NOT AN ERG OF EVIL LEFT IN YOU!
BUT I MUST STILL UPHOLD THE LAW--AND THE LAW SAYS YOU'RE A WANTED MAN! SO YOU SEE THIS DOESN'T CHANGE YOUR SITUATION AT ALL!
OH, BUT IT DOES, OLD ENEMY! I KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO TURN ME IN...BUT I ALSO KNOW THE CODE OF ETHICS YOU LIVE BY!


NOW THAT YOU ARE CONVINCED OF MY CONVERSION TO GOOD--WHILE I'M IN JAIL, YOU'LL DO YOUR SUPER-BEST TO CONVINCE THE AUTHORITIES I DESERVE A FULL PARDON!
FOR YOU, ABOVE ANYONE ELSE, REALIZE HOW MANY [redacted] MIRACLES MY GENIUS CAN PROVIDE FOR THE WORLD!


BUT BEFORE THE MAN OF MIGHT CAN MAKE A REPLY...
GREAT KRYPTON! SOMETHING JUST BLASTED A BIG CHUNK OUT OF THE FORTRESS CEILING!
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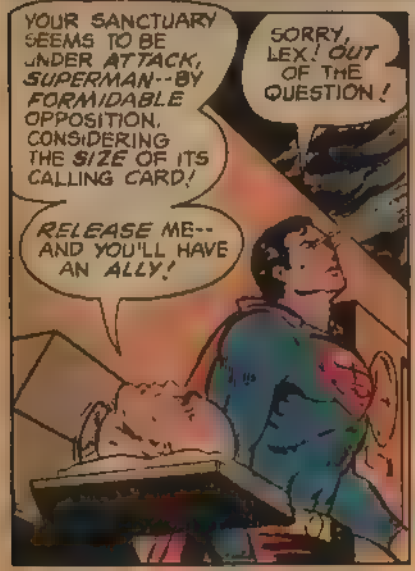
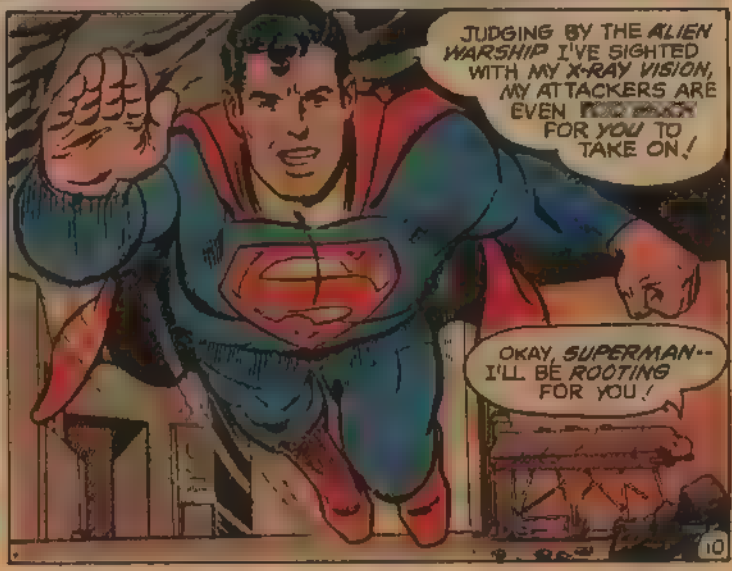
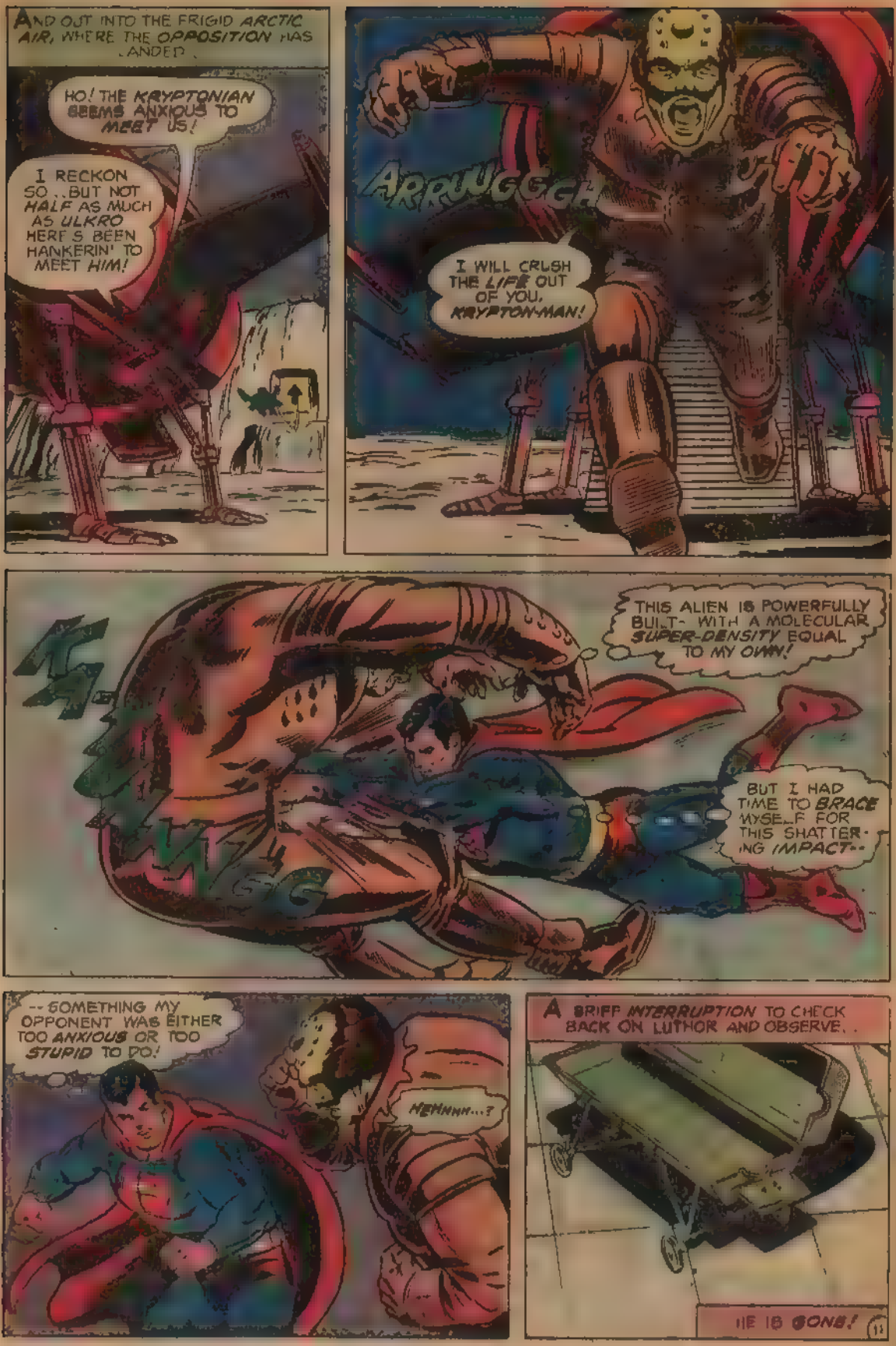
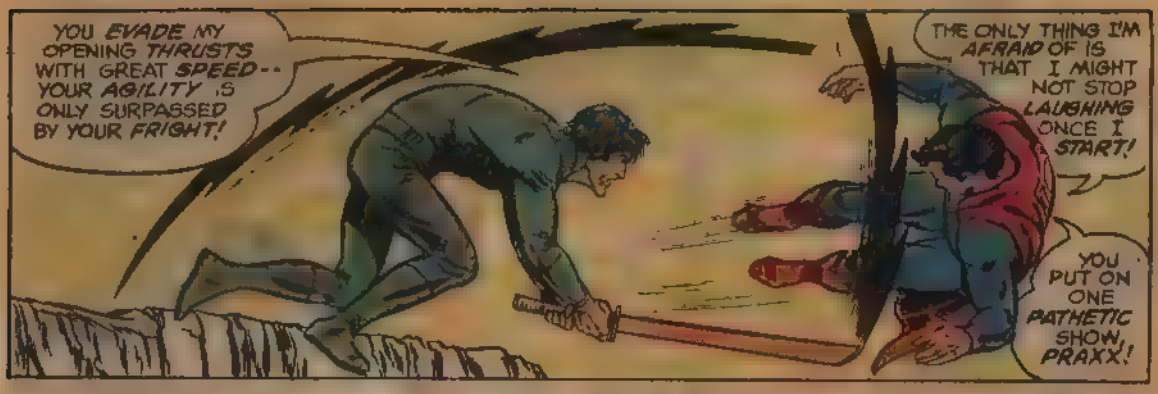
ASSHH

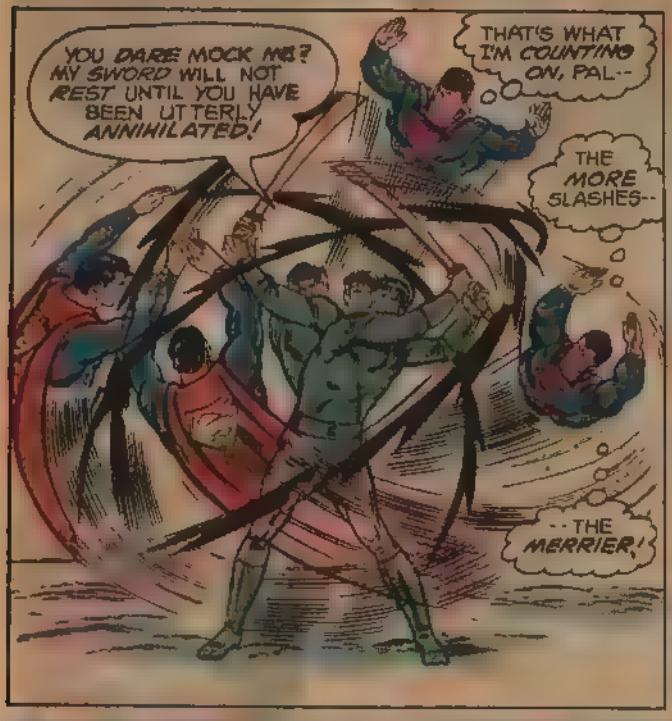

YOUR SANCTUARY SEEMS TO BE UNDER ATTACK, SUPERMAN--BY FORMIDABLE OPPOSITION, CONSIDERING THE SIZE OF ITS CALLING CARD!
SORRY, LEX! OUT OF THE QUESTION!
RELEASE ME--AND YOU'LL HAVE AN ALLY!

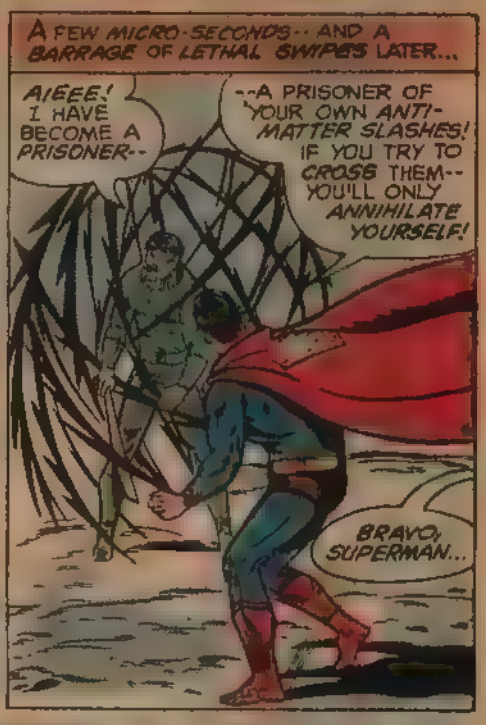

JUDGING BY THE ALIEN WARSHIP I'VE SIGHTED WITH MY X-RAY VISION, MY ATTACKERS ARE EVEN [redacted] FOR YOU TO TAKE ON!
OKAY, SUPERMAN--I'LL BE ROOTING FOR YOU!

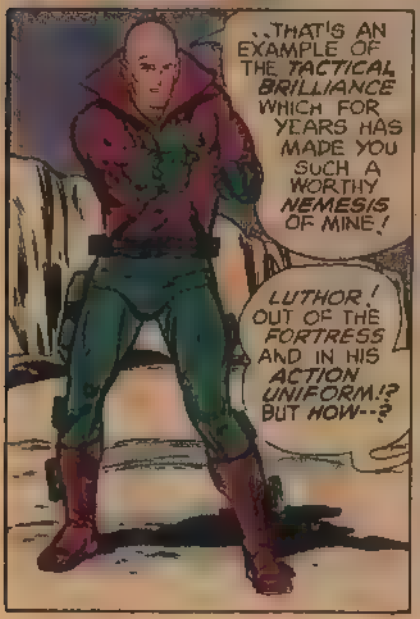

AND OUT INTO THE FRIGID ARCTIC AIR, WHERE THE OPPOSITION HAS LANDED.
HO! THE KRYPTONIAN SEEMS ANXIOUS TO MEET US!
I RECKON SO..BUT NOT HALF AS MUCH AS ULKRO HERE'S BEEN HANKERIN' TO MEET HIM!
ARRUGGG!
I WILL CRUSH THE LIFE OUT OF YOU, KRYPTON-MAN!
THIS ALIEN IS POWERFULLY BUILT- WITH A MOLECULAR SUPER-DENSITY EQUAL TO MY OWN!
BUT I HAD TIME TO BRACE MYSELF FOR THIS SHATTERING IMPACT--
--SOMETHING MY OPPONENT WAS EITHER TOO ANXIOUS OR TOO STUPID TO DO!
MEHNNH...?
A BRIEF INTERRUPTION TO CHECK BACK ON LUTHOR AND OBSERVE..
HE IS GONE!

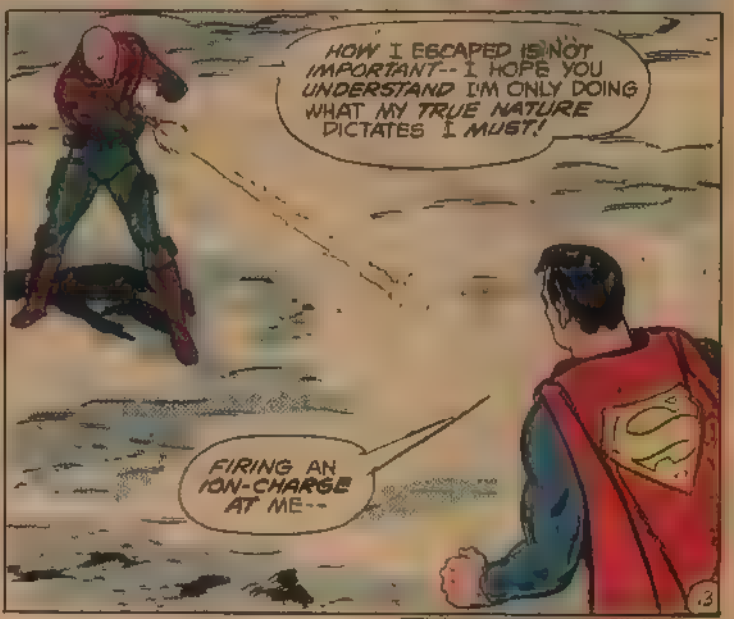
THIS PUNCH TO DAZE HIM...
WHOMPPFF
...AND THIS BLAST OF SUPER-FRIGID BREATH TO COMPLETE HIS NOSEDIVE--
--ENCASING HIS HARD HEAD INSIDE AN EVEN HARDER BLOCK OF SUPER-COLD ICE!
AN IMPRESSIVE PERFORMANCE, KRYPTONIAN--
--BUT IN PRAXX YOU WILL FACE AN OPPONENT MORE CUNNING--
--AND BETTER ARMED!
ONE SLASH OF MY ALLOYED ANTI-MATTER SWORD AND YOU WILL SUDDENLY CEASE TO EXIST!
WHEW! HE'S NOT BLUFFING! HIS WEAPON IS RIPPING INTO THE ANTI-MATTER UNIVERSE THAT CO-EXISTS WITH OUR OWN!


YOU EVADE MY OPENING THRUSTS WITH GREAT SPEED-- YOUR AGILITY IS ONLY SURPASSED BY YOUR FRIGHT!
THE ONLY THING I'M AFRAID OF IS THAT I MIGHT NOT STOP LAUGHING ONCE I START!
YOU PUT ON ONE PATHETIC SHOW, PRAXX!


YOU DARE MOCK ME? MY SWORD WILL NOT REST UNTIL YOU HAVE BEEN UTTERLY ANNIHILATED!
THAT'S WHAT I'M COUNTING ON, PAL--
THE MORE SLASHES--
--THE MERRIER!


A FEW MICRO-SECONDS-- AND A BARRAGE OF LETHAL SWIPES LATER...
AIEEE! I HAVE BECOME A PRISONER--
--A PRISONER OF YOUR OWN ANTI-MATTER SLASHES! IF YOU TRY TO CROSS THEM-- YOU'LL ONLY ANNIHILATE YOURSELF!
BRAVO, SUPERMAN...


...THAT'S AN EXAMPLE OF THE TACTICAL BRILLIANCE WHICH FOR YEARS HAS MADE YOU SUCH A WORTHY NEMESIS OF MINE!
LUTHOR! OUT OF THE FORTRESS AND IN HIS ACTION UNIFORM!? BUT HOW--?


HOW I ESCAPED IS NOT IMPORTANT-- I HOPE YOU UNDERSTAND I'M ONLY DOING WHAT MY TRUE NATURE DICTATES I MUST!
FIRING AN ION-CHARGE AT ME--
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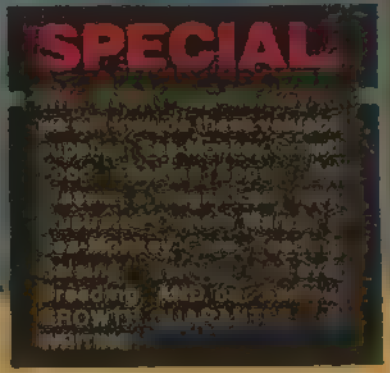

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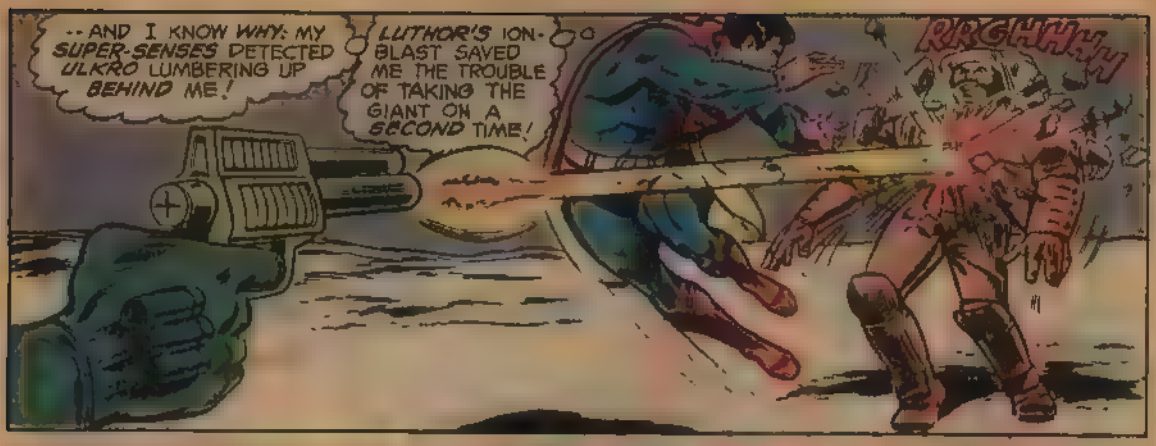
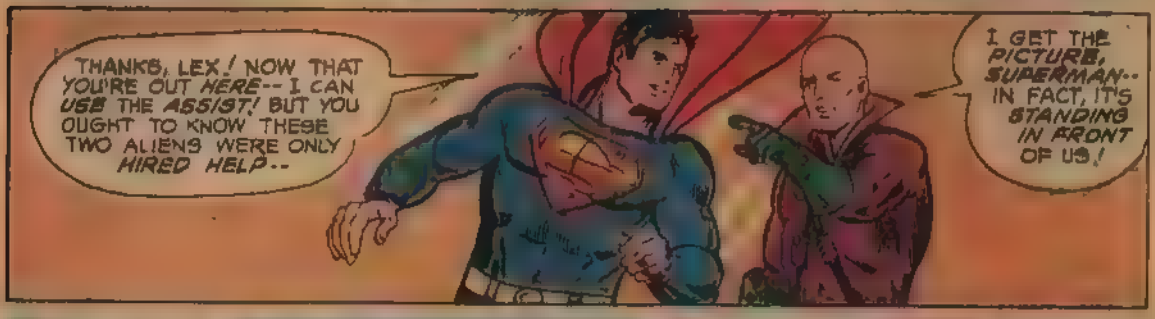
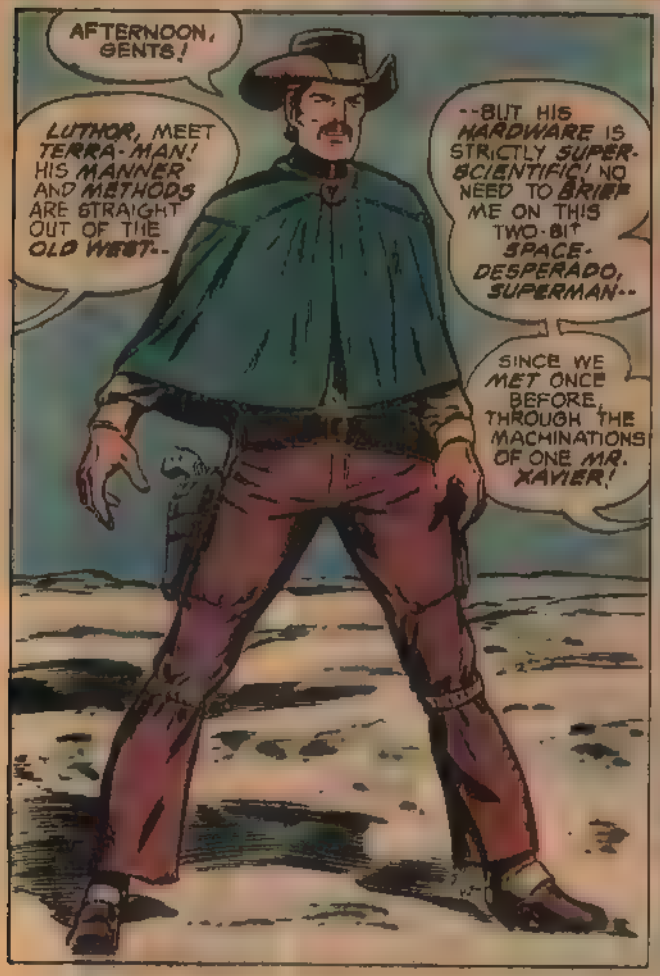
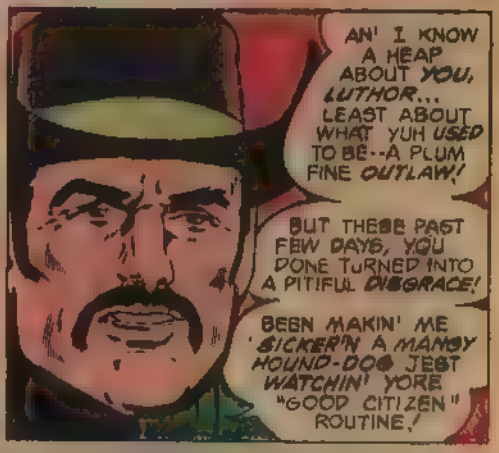
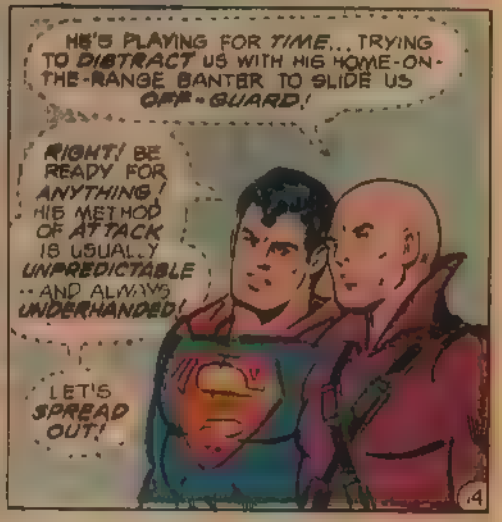
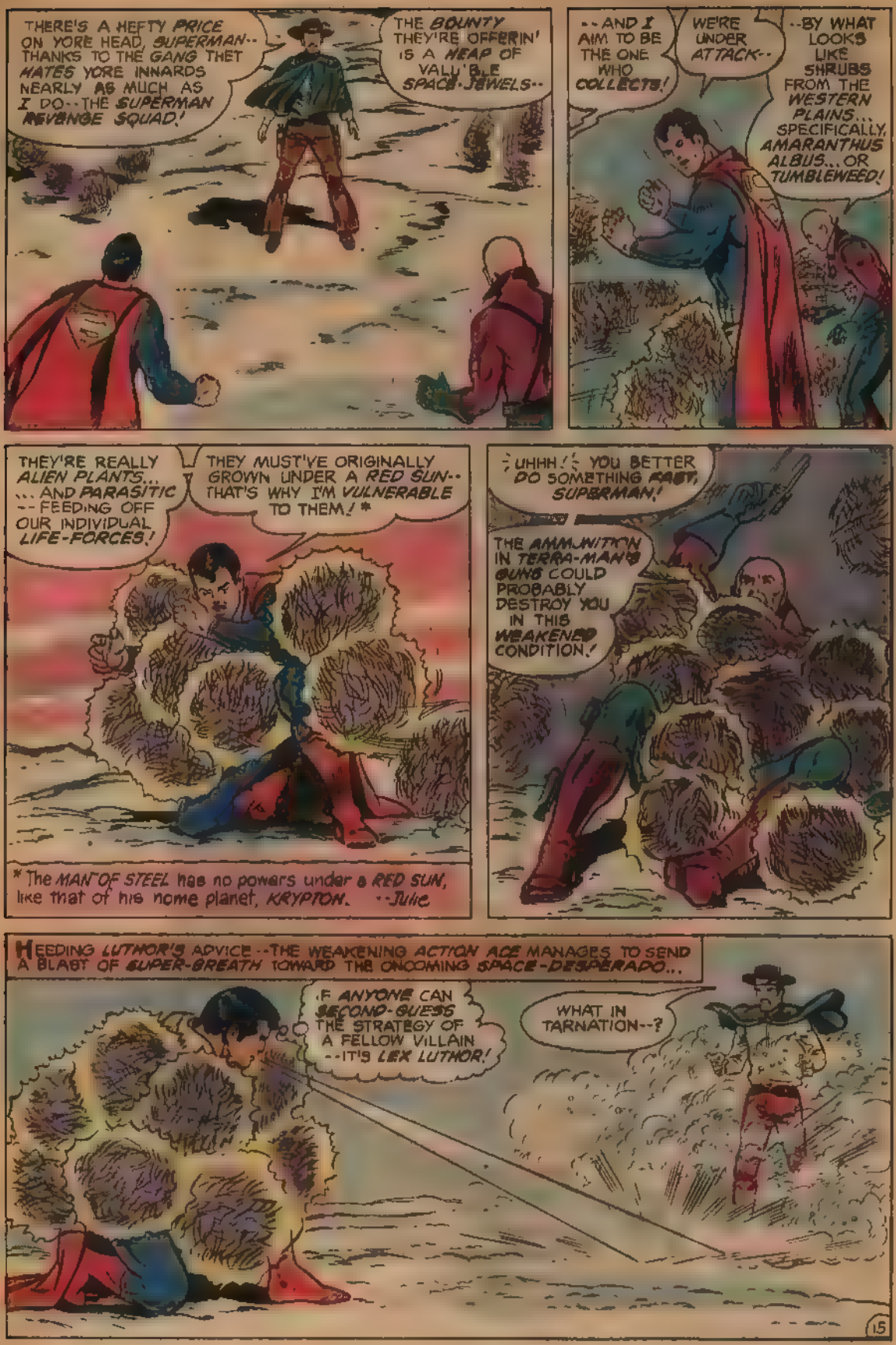

--AND I KNOW WHY: MY SUPER-SENSES DETECTED ULKRO LUMBERING UP BEHIND ME!
LUTHOR'S ION-BLAST SAVED ME THE TROUBLE OF TAKING THE GIANT ON A SECOND TIME!
RRGHHH

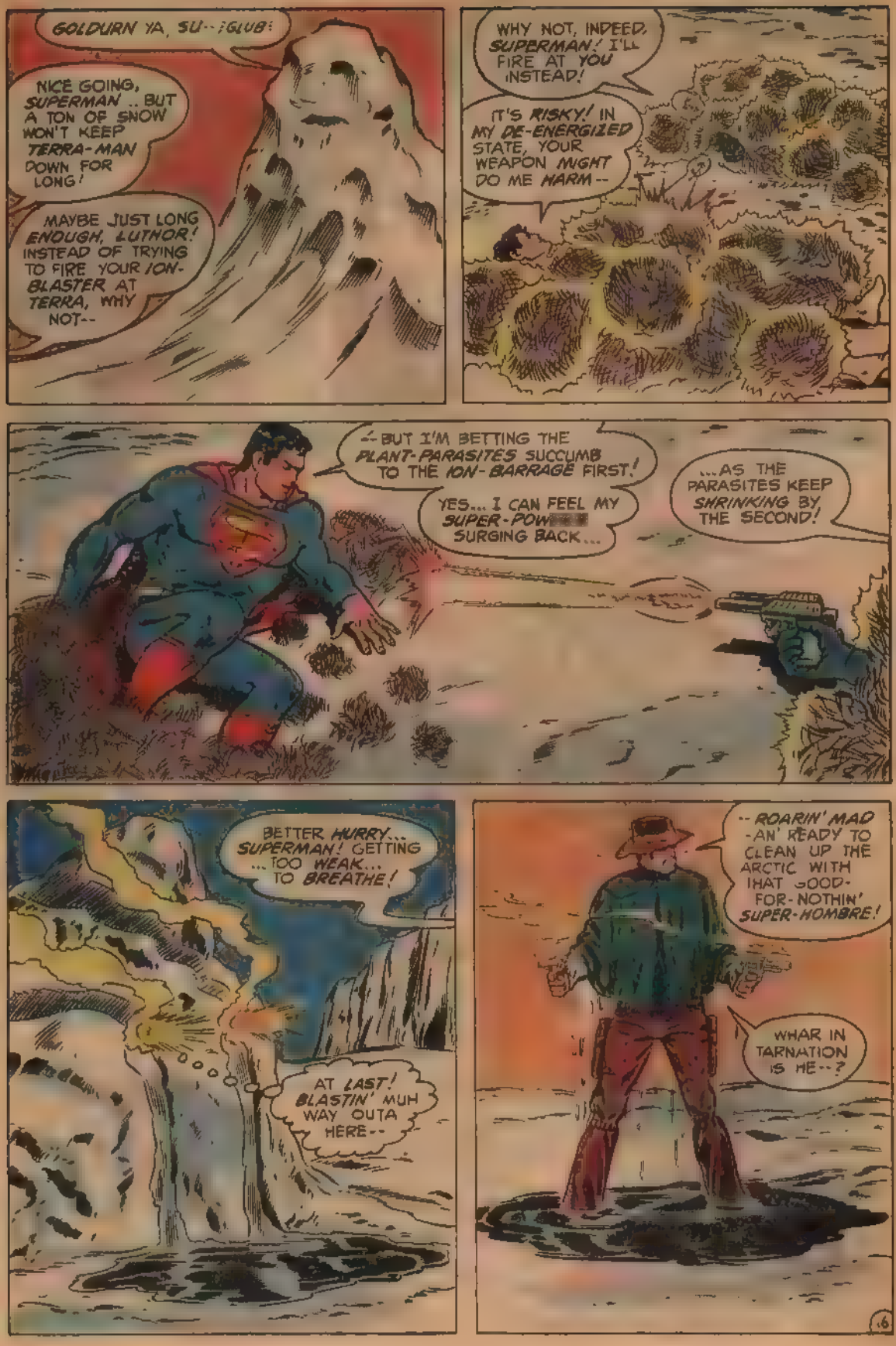

THANKS, LEX! NOW THAT YOU'RE OUT HERE-- I CAN USE THE ASSIST! BUT YOU OUGHT TO KNOW THESE TWO ALIENS WERE ONLY HIRED HELP--
I GET THE PICTURE, SUPERMAN-- IN FACT, IT'S STANDING IN FRONT OF US!


AFTERNOON, GENTS!
LUTHOR, MEET TERRA-MAN! HIS MANNER AND METHODS ARE STRAIGHT OUT OF THE OLD WEST--
--BUT HIS HARDWARE IS STRICTLY SUPER-SCIENTIFIC! NO NEED TO BRIEF ME ON THIS TWO-BIT SPACE-DESPERADO, SUPERMAN--
SINCE WE MET ONCE BEFORE, THROUGH THE MACHINATIONS OF ONE MR. XAVIER!


AN' I KNOW A HEAP ABOUT YOU, LUTHOR... LEAST ABOUT WHAT YUH USED TO BE--A PLUM FINE OUTLAW!
BUT THESE PAST FEW DAYS, YOU DONE TURNED INTO A PITIFUL DISGRACE!
BEEN MAKIN' ME SICKER'N A MANGY HOUND-DOG JEST WATCHIN' YORE "GOOD CITIZEN" ROUTINE!


HE'S PLAYING FOR TIME... TRYING TO DISTRACT US WITH HIS HOME-ON-THE-RANGE BANTER TO SLIDE US OFF-GUARD!
RIGHT! BE READY FOR ANYTHING! HIS METHOD OF ATTACK IS USUALLY UNPREDICTABLE --AND ALWAYS UNDERHANDED!
LET'S SPREAD OUT!


THERE'S A HEFTY PRICE ON YORE HEAD, SUPERMAN--THANKS TO THE GANG THET HATES YORE INNARDS NEARLY AS MUCH AS I DO--THE SUPERMAN REVENGE SQUAD!
THE BOUNTY THEY'RE OFFERIN' IS A HEAP OF VALU'BLE SPACE-JEWELS--
--AND I AIM TO BE THE ONE WHO COLLECTS!
WE'RE UNDER ATTACK--
--BY WHAT LOOKS LIKE SHRUBS FROM THE WESTERN PLAINS... SPECIFICALLY, AMARANTHUS ALBUS... OR TUMBLEWEED!
THEY'RE REALLY ALIEN PLANTS... ... AND PARASITIC --FEEDING OFF OUR INDIVIDUAL LIFE-FORCES!
THEY MUST'VE ORIGINALLY GROWN UNDER A RED SUN--THAT'S WHY I'M VULNERABLE TO THEM! *
* The MAN OF STEEL has no powers under a RED SUN, like that of his home planet, KRYPTON. --Julie
UHHH! YOU BETTER DO SOMETHING FAST, SUPERMAN!
THE AMMUNITION IN TERRA-MAN'S GUNS COULD PROBABLY DESTROY YOU IN THIS WEAKENED CONDITION!
HEEDING LUTHOR'S ADVICE--THE WEAKENING ACTION ACE MANAGES TO SEND A BLAST OF SUPER-BREATH TOWARD THE ONCOMING SPACE-DESPERADO...
IF ANYONE CAN SECOND-GUESS THE STRATEGY OF A FELLOW VILLAIN --IT'S LEX LUTHOR!
WHAT IN TARNATION--?


GOLDURN YA, SU--¡GLUB!
NICE GOING, SUPERMAN .. BUT A TON OF SNOW WON'T KEEP TERRA-MAN DOWN FOR LONG!
MAYBE JUST LONG ENOUGH, LUTHOR! INSTEAD OF TRYING TO FIRE YOUR ION-BLASTER AT TERRA, WHY NOT--
WHY NOT, INDEED, SUPERMAN! I'LL FIRE AT YOU INSTEAD!
IT'S RISKY! IN MY DE-ENERGIZED STATE, YOUR WEAPON MIGHT DO ME HARM--
--BUT I'M BETTING THE PLANT-PARASITES SUCCUMB TO THE ION-BARRAGE FIRST!
YES... I CAN FEEL MY SUPER-POW[illegible] SURGING BACK...
...AS THE PARASITES KEEP SHRINKING BY THE SECOND!
BETTER HURRY... SUPERMAN! GETTING ...TOO WEAK... TO BREATHE!
AT LAST! BLASTIN' MUH WAY OUTA HERE--
-- ROARIN' MAD -AN' READY TO CLEAN UP THE ARCTIC WITH THAT GOOD-FOR-NOTHIN' SUPER-HOMBRE!
WHAR IN TARNATION IS HE--?
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COMING DOWN ON YOU HARD, "PARDNER"!
AND SINCE YOU'RE SO INTERESTED IN BOUNTIES-- I THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW--
--I'LL BE INSTRUCTING THE SPACE-FEDERATION TO DONATE YOUR "WANTED" REWARD TO THE HELPLESS VICTIMS YOU'VE STREWN ACROSS THE GALAXY!
AND AFTER THE FULLY-RECOVERED ACTION ACE HAS CAREFULLY USED HIS HEAT VISION TO SHRIVEL THE PARASITIC PLANTS ATTACKING LUTHOR...
¡PANT! THANKS, SUPERMAN-- I WAS DOWN TO MY LAST BREATH!
SORRY YOU HAD SUCH A CLOSE CALL, LEX-- BUT ALLOWING YOU TO JOIN THIS BATTLE WAS THE ONLY WAY I COULD BE SURE...
..YOU HAD TRULY REFORMED! SEEING YOU RISK YOUR LIFE AND SIDE WITH ME AGAINST TERRA-MAN WAS THE ULTIMATE PROOF!
THEN YOU KNEW ALL ALONG I'D BE ABLE TO ESCAPE FROM YOUR STEEL STRAIT-JACKET BY TELEPATHIC TELEPORTATION?
OF COURSE! MY SUPER-VISION DETECTED THE MICRO-NODES YOU HAD IMPLANTED NEAR THE FRONTAL LOBES OF YOUR BRAIN!
I KNEW YOU COULD TELEPORT TO YOUR OWN CITADEL ANY TIME YOU WISHED -BUT ONLY A TRUE HERO WOULD HAVE SUITED-UP AND TELEPORTED BACK INTO BATTLE WITH ME...INSTEAD OF AGAINST ME!
SUPER-PAL OF MINE, THIS IS WHAT I'VE BEEN HOPING FOR!
LET ME SAY IT FOR BOTH OF US, LEX--
THIS COULD BE THE BEGINNING OF A BEAUTIFUL FRIENDSHIP!

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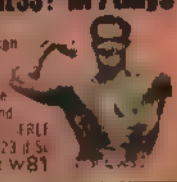

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...BUT EVEN IF YOU'VE JUST ARRIVED, IT DOESN'T TAKE LONG TO FIGURE IT OUT--

WHEW! THEY CAN ADD "DOPES LIKE *HAL JORDAN*" TO THAT SONG ABOUT WHO GOES OUT IN THE *MIDDAY SUN!* IT MUST BE *100°*--

--AND I PICKED *NOW* TO COME AND LOOK OVER THE SCHOOL I'LL BE GOING TO THIS *FALL!*

WEARING THESE THREADS TO COVER MY *AIR WAVE* COSTUME UNDERNEATH WASN'T TOO *SWIFT* EITHER!

I WONDER HOW GUYS LIKE COUSIN *GREEN LANTERN* KEEP *COOL* IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS?

THEY MANAGE IT *SOMEHOW*, THOUGH! "A SUPER-HERO *MUST ALWAYS BE PREPARED TO CHANGE IDENTITIES!*"

TAYLOR HI

EH? SOMEBODY UP ON THE ROOF--?

THINK HE SAW YA?

NAHHH--IT WAS JUST SOME KID RIDIN' HIS BIKE!

BESIDES, IF HE TELLS SOMEBODY AND THEY CALL THE *FUZZ*, WE'LL PICK UP THE NEWS ON THE *CB!*

--ONE-ADAM-81, A *459* AT MARKET AND PACIFIC--

WON'T OLD MAN BAINTREE BE SURPRISED WHEN THE BELL RINGS ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL AND ALL THESE LETTERS BLOW UP!
THIS GAG IS A GAS -- HUNH?!?
"OLD MAN BAINTREE"-- WHOEVER HE IS--WON'T BE HALF AS SURPRISED AS YOU ARE!
"GET AN OVERALL VIEW OF THE SITUATION FIRST! SIZE UP YOUR OPPONENTS!"
THE EASIEST WAY TO COOL OFF ON A HOT AFTERNOON IS TO TAKE OFF SOME CLOTHES--WHICH OUR HERO HAS JUST DONE--AND TAKE THINGS SLOW AND EASY--WHICH OUR HERO ISN'T ABOUT TO DO!
BUT LATER ON, HE'LL BE TAKING OFF EVEN MORE, AS HE SETS THE STAGE FOR
A NEW COSTUME FOR ATOM!
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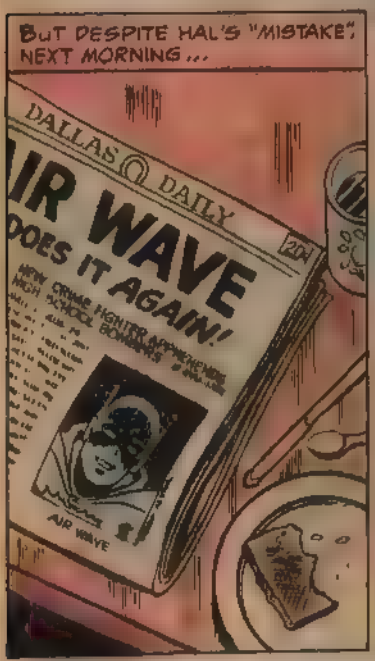
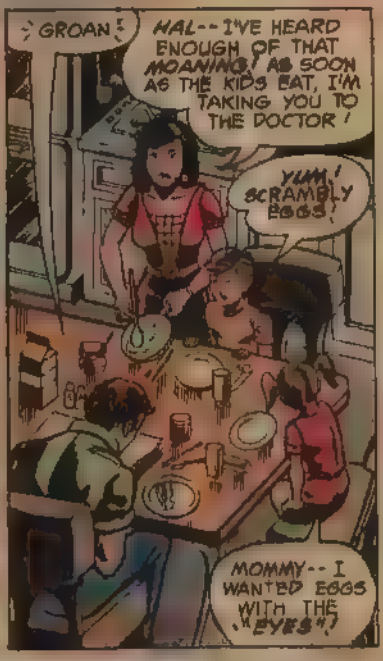
"HIT FIRST--ASK QUESTIONS LATER!" GOOD OL' GREEN ARROW--SHORT AND TO THE POINT!
WHUMP!
OOF!
YOU PUNK!
--WHO D'YA THINK YOU ARE?
I DON'T HAVE TO THINK WHO I AM--
--I KNOW: AIR WAVE! NOW YOU KNOW!
"ALWAYS USE YOUR OPPONENT'S STRENGTHS AGAINST HIM!"--THANKS, BLACK CANARY!
WHAM
HOW'M I DOING HOT-SHOT?
GOT TO GET SOME POCKETS IN MY COSTUME--TO HOLD HANDCUFFS! BUT THIS WIRE WILL DO THE TRICK FOR NOW!
SPEAKIN' OF HOT-SHOTS--
--HOW DO YA LIKE THE HOT-SHOT I'M GIVIN' THIS PUNK SCHOOL--!
BOOM!
KA-BLAM!
OH-OH--

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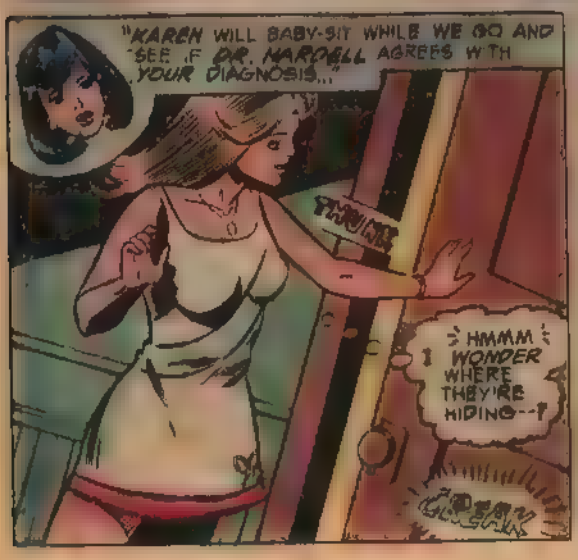
HAL--I'VE HEARD ENOUGH OF THAT MOANING! AS SOON AS THE KIDS EAT, I'M TAKING YOU TO THE DOCTOR!
YUM! SCRAMBLY EGGS!
MOMMY--I WANTED EGGS WITH THE "EYES"!

TOMORROW YOU CAN HAVE EGGS WITH THE EYES, JENNIFER!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO TAKE ME TO THE DOCTOR, JAN --IT'S JUST A BUG!
OH? AND WHEN DID YOU GRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL?



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I FOUND IT IN THE CLOSET! GIMME!
NO! JASON, MOMMY'S GONNA SPANK YOU!
JASON! JENNIFER! COUSIN HAL ISN'T GOING TO LIKE YOUR TAKING HIS CLOTHES!
I..I DIDN'T DO IT!
RIP!
OOOOH, JASON RIPPED HAL'S CLOTHES! I'M TELLING MOMMY!
NOBODY IS TELLING YOUR MOTHER! I'LL SEW THIS UP. .BUT YOU TWO BETTER GO TO YOUR ROOM RIGHT NOW!
B-BUT I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING!
YOU DID MORE THAN ENOUGH! MARCH!
WELL, WHATEVER DOUBTS I HAD ABOUT HAL BEING AIR WAVE, THIS ERASES THEM!
PROBLEM IS, HOW DO I REPAIR HIS COSTUME WITHOUT LETTING ON THAT I KNOW?
SOMETIME LATER...
HI, KAREN-- WE'RE BACK!
BETTER HIDE THIS COSTUME PATTERN!
WHAT'S THE DIAGNOSIS?
[illegible]N POISONING! THE DOCTOR SAID HE'LL BE OKAY AFTER A COUPLE OF DAYS INDOORS!
THAT KNOCKS OUT OUR DATE AT SIX FLAGS TODAY, KAREN!
THAT'S OKAY! WE'LL MAKE IT TO THE AMUSEMENT PARK WHEN YOU RECOVER!
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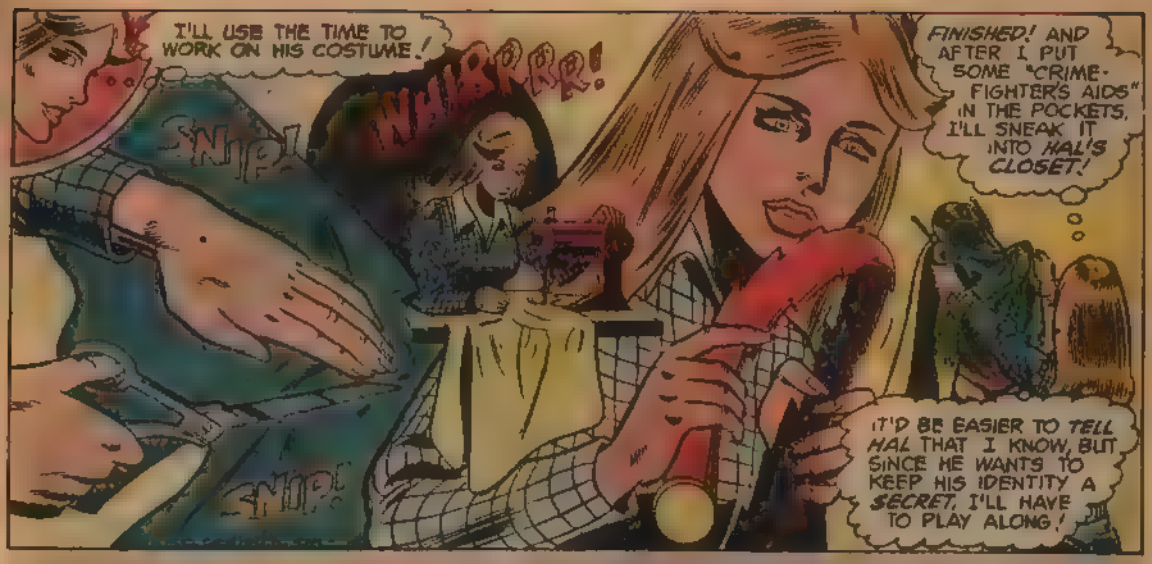
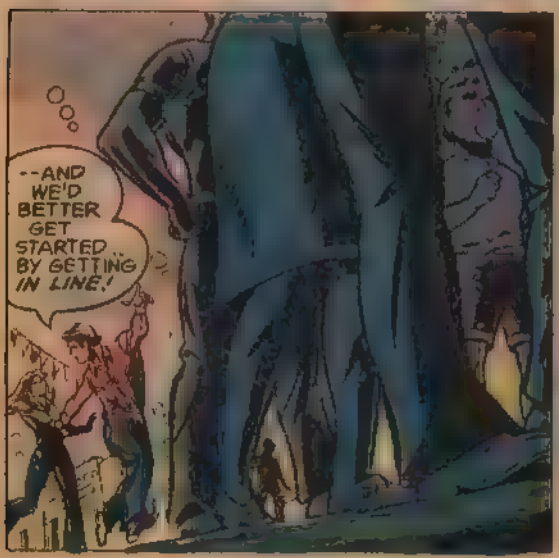

I'LL USE THE TIME TO WORK ON HIS COSTUME!
SNIP!
WHIRRR!
SNIP!
FINISHED! AND AFTER I PUT SOME "CRIME-FIGHTER'S AIDS" IN THE POCKETS, I'LL SNEAK IT INTO HAL'S CLOSET!
IT'D BE EASIER TO TELL HAL THAT I KNOW, BUT SINCE HE WANTS TO KEEP HIS IDENTITY A SECRET, I'LL HAVE TO PLAY ALONG!

AND, AFTER TWO DAYS OF REST AND RECOVERY..
WELL, DO WE START--?
--WITH THE LOG FLUME--FOLLOWED BY THE RUNAWAY MINE TRAIN AND THE TEXAS CHUTE OUT!
HOUSE OF WAX
SALOON
LOG FL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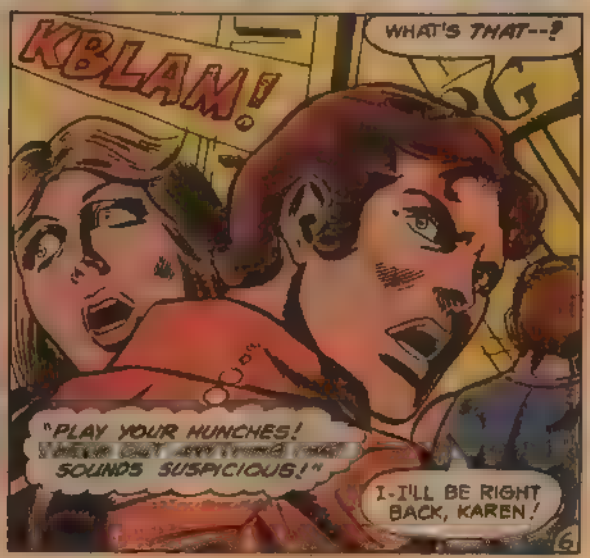
KBLAM!
WHAT'S THAT--?
"PLAY YOUR HUNCHES! SOUNDS SUSPICIOUS!"
I-I'LL BE RIGHT BACK, KAREN!

RUN! IT'S SOME TRIGGER-HAPPY KOOK-- TAKING POTSHOTS AT US!
I'LL DUCK IN HERE FOR A QUICK CHANGE--!
THERE'S PLENTY OF RADIO WAVES AROUND HERE--
BLAM!
--FOR AIR WAVE TO RIDE AGAIN!
JUST AS I FIGURED-- THE SNIPER HAS [illegible]SITIONED HIMSELF ON THE HIGHEST SPOT IN THE PARK--
BLAM!
--TURNING THE TEXAS CHUTE OUT INTO A REAL SHOOT-OUT!
"IF YOU CAN, SCARE THE BEJABBERS OUT OF THE BAD GUYS!"
HI-- MIND IF I JOIN YOU?
YAHHH!
BEAT IT--!
SURE THING-- AFTER YOU GIVE ME YOUR GUN!
--BUT NOT LIKE THAT!
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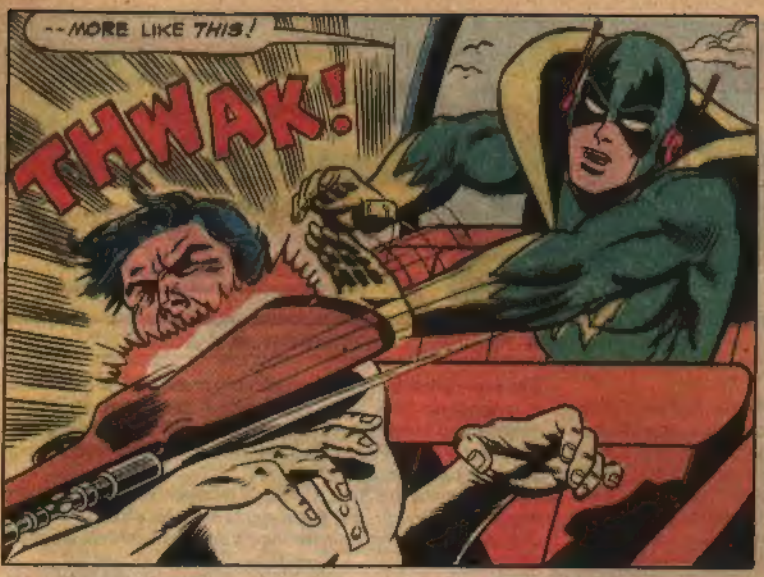
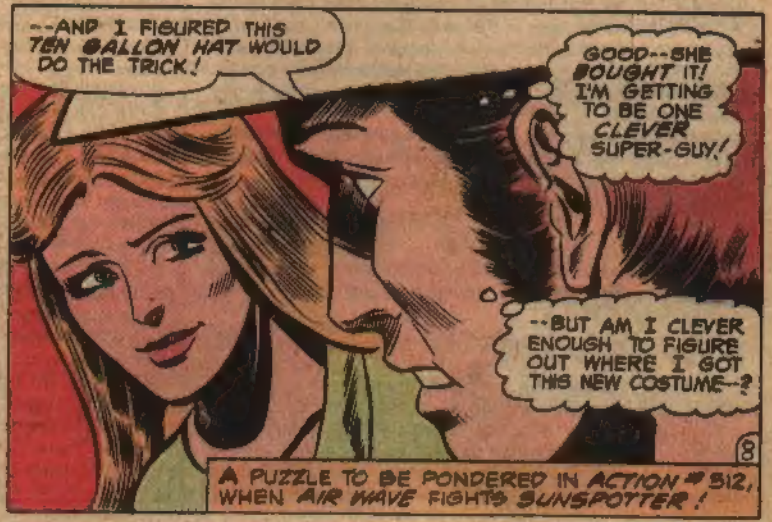

--MORE LIKE THIS!
THWAK!

GL AND GA WOULD BE PROUD! I TOOK HIM OUT WITH ONE PUNCH!
NOW, TO LOCK HIM UP WITH THESE HAND-CUFFS FROM MY POCKET--

WAITAMINNIT! --I WAS PLANNING TO HAVE A POCKET FOR CUFFS PUT IN MY COSTUME! SO HOW COME--?
HEYY-- THIS ISN'T MY COSTUME!
OOPS-- GOING DOWN!
SIX FLAGS

AND WHEN THE SNIPER HAS BEEN TURNED OVER TO THE POLICE AND AIR WAVE HAS REVERTED TO HIS HAL JORDAN IDENTITY...
HAL--YOU MISSED IT! AIR WAVE WAS HERE... AND HE CAPTURED A SNIPER UP IN THE CHUTE OUT!
--AS IF YOU DIDN'T KNOW!

JUST WHERE WERE YOU, ANYWAY?
"MAKE YOUR EXCUSE FOR LEAVING THE SCENE PLAUSIBLE!"
I WENT TO BUY A HAT! THE DOCTOR TOLD ME NOT TO GET TOO MUCH SUN FOR A WHILE--


--AND I FIGURED THIS TEN GALLON HAT WOULD DO THE TRICK!
GOOD--SHE BOUGHT IT! I'M GETTING TO BE ONE CLEVER SUPER-GUY!
--BUT AM I CLEVER ENOUGH TO FIGURE OUT WHERE I GOT THIS NEW COSTUME--?
A PUZZLE TO BE PONDERED IN ACTION #512, WHEN AIR WAVE FIGHTS SUNSPOTTER!

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Dear Editor:

ACTION COMICS #506 ("The Children's Exodus From Earth") will be considered a sleeper. At face value, this tale by Cary Bates doesn't appear to be anything great, just a par *Superman* adventure. Yet, studying it closer, especially the ending, you come away with a sense of awe. The message of bless the beasts and the children really came through and the pathetic character of Orn-Zu was truly a high spot of the story. His desire to save the children of Krypton was truly noble and the beast he created to carry out his plan revealed Orn-Zu's true self. Further, that he would sacrifice his existence for the children of Earth is the ultimate example of his kindred spirit.

Cary handled perfectly the battle that *Superman* could not possibly win and he added a new dimension to the word paradox. The plight of poor Jorlan encountering *Superboy* was sad indeed. Instead of being an average story, Cary set our minds to think.

By the way, Curt Swan and Frank Chiaramonte created an artistic masterwork, but then, you already know that!

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One of the nice things about a good comic book story is that it can be read on a number of levels, ranging from a thoughtful interpretation like yours to an enjoyment of the story strictly on an entertainment basis, as our next correspondent feels.

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Dear Julius:

May I congratulate you and your *ACTION* staff for treating us to the pure entertainment of *ACTION* #506. And I do mean entertainment. Other comics try to get serious and it often ruins the pleasure of reading them. With *ACTION*, it's enjoyment without heavyhandedness and that's what makes this my favorite comic.

Cary Bates revolved the story around two scenes: *Superman* meeting Orn-Zu and learning about him, and the Man of Steel battling Jorlan. There wasn't anything extraordinary about Orn-Zu, but he had tons more character than most of the Kryptonians we've seen in the past. *Superman*'s battle with Jorlan was steady action with a variety of "sets". The only thing that bothered me was that in the last battle there was too much reading to do on *Superman*'s thoughts. Let the action speak for itself!

The ending was great, a logical, sneaky way to get rid of Jorlan. Cary has always come up with very clever ways to outwit the baddies and this was another one.

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And while some readers find different reasons to enjoy a story, our next correspondent couldn't find any reason to be happy...well, almost.

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Dear Editor:

BORING! Phantom Zone stories have always been dull and boring. Always. And this one was no exception.

Orn-Zu's plot was ridiculous. Though I found it amusing that he predicted the sun would go nova as opposed to Jor-El's exploding planet theory, that was the only thing I liked about the Krypton flashback. Why did Jorlan have to land on Earth, like every other bit of Krypton paraphernalia? It was explained a long while back that kryptonite got here because of the space-warp created by Kal-El's rocket. But just how big can that space-warp be to allow everything that survived the big boom to pass through it?

I did, however, find Orn-Zu's obsession with children fascinating though, and *Superman*'s ingenious idea to destroy Jorlan with the "can't-meet-one's self" time travel paradox amusing.

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Obviously the space warp was larger than you might have expected—considering all the Kryptonian artifacts that did make it through!

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Dear Editor:

There was one thing you guys goofed up on in *ACTION* #506. When *Superman* traveled through the time barrier with Jorlan, he disappears. Why didn't Jorlan also disappear when *Superboy* caught a glimpse of him?

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Superman vanished because he could not exist in two different forms in the same time period. There was only one Jorlan, so he did not disappear!

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